

VECTOR CALCULUS

Quiz 3

Problem 1.1.

$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{A}(\vec{r})$ is divergence-free. Hence, from its curl, $\vec{A}(\vec{r})$ can be given by $\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = z[* (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})] = (zx \sin(x)e^{-x^2}, -zy^2 \cos(y)e^{-y^2}, 0)$

Problem 1.2.

Because $\vec{A}(\vec{r})$ is divergence-free, a possible solution is $\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = U(y, z)\hat{i}$, where $U(y, z)$ is a scalar potential for $* (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = (0, z^2, 1 + 2yz)$

$$U = yz^2 + f(z) = z + yz^2 + g(y) \Rightarrow U = z + yz^2$$

So $\vec{A}(\vec{r}) = (z + yz^2, 0, 0)$

Problem 1.3. $\vec{E}(\vec{r})$ is in \mathbb{R}^2

$$\vec{E}(\vec{r}) = \frac{2\pi}{S_2(r)}\hat{r} = \frac{2\pi}{S_2(1)}\frac{\hat{r}}{r^{2-1}} = \frac{2\pi}{2\pi}\frac{\hat{r}}{r} = \frac{\hat{r}}{r}$$

Problem 1.4.

$$\begin{aligned} df &= d(xdx \wedge dy) + d(ydy \wedge dz) \\ &= (dx \wedge dx \wedge dy) + (dy \wedge dy \wedge dz) \\ &= 0 \wedge dy + 0 \wedge dz = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the form f is closed